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The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I suppose the Conservator of Forests must have sent letters through his subordinate officers to the ryots concerned."

Mr. K. R. KARANT :—" May I know whether these instructions will be published in the local papers ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I have no objection."

Financial position and prospects of the Chenat Nair Forest Exploitation Scheme.

*34 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to place before this House a statement showing the financial position and prospects of the Chenat Nair Forest Exploitation Scheme ?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to G.O. No. 485, Development, dated 17th March 1928, which was placed on the table of the House.

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" May I know from the hon. the Law Member whether the impressions he formed about the Chenat Nair Forest Exploitation Scheme are correct or not ? "

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" I say that question is an argument."

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" On another occasion the hon. the Law Member said that he formed certain impressions about the Chenat Nair Forest Scheme. I am simply asking whether those impressions are correct and what are the ultimate results of his visit to the Chenat Nair Forest."

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I visited only the saw mill and the outskirts of the Chenat Nair forests, and I said that from my visit I formed certain impressions."

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" I wish to know how a supplementary question arises out of this question. There is no reference in this question to the visit of Chenat Nair forests by the hon. the Law Member."

Deputation of an officer to study modern logging methods.

*35 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether any officers were deputed or have been deputed or are proposed to be deputed to the Philippines or Burma or any other place to study modern logging methods and if so, who, of what nationality and with what qualifications ;

(b) whether any of the officers so deputed has returned to the Forest Department, and if so, who, where, in what capacity and with what salary and benefit ;

(c) whether any such officer, on return, has not been employed in logging operations or other service, and if so, the reasons therefor ; and

(d) if the officer so deputed or to be deputed is non-Indian, why no Indian was selected ?